DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814



January	25,	1999	
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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 99-06

REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL						
[X]	State Law Change					
[]	Federal Law or Regulation					
	Change					
[]	Court Order or Settlement					
	Agreement					
[]	Clarification Requested by					
	One or More Counties					
[]	Initiated by CDSS					

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: EXPANDED CALIFORNIA FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CFAP)

REPORTING

REFERENCE: All County Letter (ACL) 98-66 (September 1, 1998); ACL 98-76 (September

25, 1998); and County Fiscal Letter Number 98/99-52 (December 17, 1998)

This letter provides counties with information on a change in food stamp statistical reporting due to the passage of Assembly Bill (AB) 2779 (Chapter 329, Statutes of 1998). The legislation expanded the existing California Food Assistance Program (CFAP) to include persons 18 years of age and older. Therefore, the persons count for "Under 18" and "65 and older" on the Food Stamp Program Monthly Caseload Movement Statistical Report (DFA 296 (9/97)) is no longer applicable. In place of the age delineation, the DFA 296 is changed to delineate the persons count between Singles and Families. The reason for this change is that expenditures attributable to families are countable toward the State's TANF Maintenance of Effort (MOE). Families are defined as including a dependent minor child or children and Singles are defined as individuals 18 years of age and older without dependent minor child/children.

The revised DFA 296 (1/99) must be used beginning with the January, 1999 report month, due in February. However, to meet legislative and the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) fiscal management reporting requirements, counties must provide the number of persons 18 and older that received CFAP for the months of September, October, November and December, 1998. Counties must also provide the persons count for Singles and Families as defined in paragraph one of this letter. Please submit the September through December, 1998 data for persons 18 and older that received CFAP, and the persons counts for Singles and Families, on the attached SUPPLEMENTAL DATA COLLECTION form, no later than March 1, 1999.

A copy of the revised DFA 296 (1/99) report and instructions on how to report the new data elements in PART B, Item 8 are included with this letter. Copies can be made of the report until a supply is available in the warehouse. Timely submission of the monthly DFA 296 report is important since the data is used to determine CFAP administrative costs. Instructions on how to use the data from the DFA 296 to calculate administrative costs have been provided by the Fiscal Policy Branch in County Fiscal Letter No. 98/99-52 (December 17, 1998) for the October through December 1998 quarter.

If you have any questions regarding the reporting of data on the DFA 296 (1/99), please contact Ginger Simpson, Data Operations Branch, at (916) 323-7536. Direct program and eligibility questions about the CFAP to Ernie Villalobos, Food Stamp Bureau, at (916) 657-1680. Direct questions about County Fiscal Letter 98/99-52 to your Fiscal Policy Analyst at (916) 657-3440

Original Document Signed By Bruce Wagstaff on 1/25/99

BRUCE WAGSTAFF Deputy Director Welfare to Work Division

Attachments

c: CWDA

MONTHLY CASELOAD MOVEMENT

FOOD STAMP PROGRAM

STATISTICAL REPORT

Send one copy to:

Department of Social Services Reports Unit, M.S. 19-81 P.O. Box 944243 Sacramento, CA 94244-2430 FAX: (916) 322-9254

_	Figure I Paraget Manth Cut off Data				COUNTY							COUNTY CODE
믬	Fiscal Report Month - Cut off Date											
Ш	Calendar Report Month				REPO	RT MONT	H AND	YEAR				
PAR	APPLICATIONS FOR FOOD ST	AMPS										
1.	Pending from last month (Item 5 last mor	nth, or explair	າ)							01		
2.	Received during the month									02		
3.	Total during the month (Sum of 1 and 2).									03		
4.	Disposed of during month (Sum of a, b, a	and c below).								04		
	TOTAL 05							4				
	a. Total approved (Same as Part B, 7a)					03				-		
		06	PAFS	NAFS 07								
	(1) In over 30 days (CWD caused)			-		P	AFS	T	NAFS			
	b. Denied					08	110	09	IVALO	†		
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	c. Withdrawn					12		13				
5.	Applications pending at end of month (3	minus 4 abov	/e)							14		
PAR	B. CERTIFIED CASELOAD MOV	EMENT								PAFS	3	NAFS
6	Cases brought forward from last month (item 10 last n	nonth or explain)						15		16
	Cases added during month (Sum of a, b,		•	•						17		18
	Cases added daring month (Cam of a, b,	and o, below	PAFS		<u> </u>			AFS				
		Federal	Fed/State	State		ederal		/State	State			
	a. Applications approved)	20	21	22		23		24	25		26
	b. Transfer in assistance classification fr	om PAFS or	NAFS							27		28
	c. Other approvals									29		30
8.	Total cases open during month (Certified (Sum of 6 and 7 above and also the sum				,					31		32
	a. Pure federal cases									33		34
	1. Federal persons in 8a. Cases		FEDERAL F		STATE PERSONS COUNT							
				35		Singles		Fa	milies			
b. Federal/State combined cases					36	16 37		37 41		38		39
	c. Pure state cases				40 4					42		43
9.	Cases terminated during the report mont	h								44		45
10.	Cases carried forward to next month (8 n	ninus 9)								46		47
PAR	C. RECERTIFICATIONS											
11	Number of recertifications disposed of du	iring the reno	ort month (sum c	of a and h. held	ow)					48		49
	Training of recommendations dispessed of ac-	anny and rope	PAFS	, a ana 5, 50n	1			IAFS				
		Federal	FederalStat	e State	F	ederal	Fede	ral/State	State			
	a. Determined continuing eligible	50	51	52	53		54		55	56		57
	b. Determined ineligible	58	59	60	61		62		63	64		65
12.	Overdue recertifications (CWD caused)									66		67
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NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR LINE 8 OF THE REVISED DFA 296 (1/99)

PART B. CERTIFIED CASELOAD MOVEMENT

- 8. **Total Cases Open During Month** Enter the number of cases (households) by assistance classification that were certified eligible to participate during the report month. This is the sum of 6 and 7 above, and also the sum of a, b, and c, below.
 - a. Enter in cells 33 and 34 the number of <u>cases</u> that consist entirely of federally eligible persons that were certified eligible to participate during the report month.
 - 1. Enter in cell 35 (FEDERAL PERSONS) the total number of federal <u>persons</u> certified eligible in the cases entered in cells 33 and 34 (8a Pure federal cases) and cells 38 and 39 (8b Federal/State combined cases).
 - b. Enter in cell 36 (STATE PERSONS COUNT Singles) the number of state <u>persons</u> in cells 38 and 39 (Federal/State combined cases) that are 18 years of age and older who have no dependent child/children.
 - Enter in cell 37 (STATE PERSONS COUNT Families) the number of state <u>persons</u> in families that include dependent children.
 - Enter in cells 38 and 39 (Federal/State combined cases) the number of <u>cases</u> that consist of federal and state eligible persons that were certified eligible to participate during the report month.
 - c. Enter in cell 40 (STATE PERSONS COUNT Singles) the number of state persons in the state cases that are 18 years of age and older who have no dependent child/children.
 - Enter in cell 41 (STATE PERSONS COUNT Families) the number of state <u>persons</u> in families that include dependent children.

Enter in cells 42 and 43 (Pure state cases) the number of <u>cases</u> that consist entirely of state eligible persons that were certified eligible to participate during the report month.

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CALIFORNIA FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CFAP)

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA COLLECTION

		County		County Code		
PART A		1998				
FARTA	September	October	November	December		
Total CFAP persons 18 years of age and older						
a. State persons in pure state cases						
b. State persons in federal/state combined cases						
PART B						
Total CFAP persons - families *						
a. State persons in pure state cases						
b. State persons in federal/state combined cases						
2. Total CFAP persons - singles**						
a. State persons in pure state cases						
b. State persons in federal/state combined cases						
* Families are defined as including a dependent minor child or c ** Singles are defined as individuals 18 years of age and older wi		minor child/childre	en.			
COMMENTS						
Person to contact regarding this report		Telephone	e Number			